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In re Application of:

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RESPONSE TO RESTRICTION
REQUIREMENT UNDER 35 U.S.C. § 121

Assistant Commissioner for Patents Washington, DC 20231

Sir:

In the Office Action, the Examiner requested that a restriction requirement be made under 35 U.S.C. § 121.

In response to the Office Action dated February 24, 2003, Applicant respectfully traverses the restriction requirement. However, to be fully responsive to the requirement, Applicant hereby elects Group I, claims 1-11 and 17-26, drawn to a clutch handler assembly.

Respectfully submitted,

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